

# SANTA ROSA RANCHERIA TACHI TRIBE

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National Indian Gaming Commission  
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RE: Comments to Analysis Group's Report of Economic Impact of Proposed Changes to Class II Regulations


Dear Chairman Hogen:

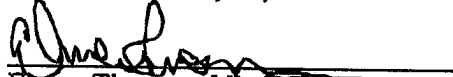
As per National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) request, the Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Tribe is providing comment to the Analysis Group's Report of the Economic Impact of Proposed Changes to the Class II Gaming Regulations (hereinafter "Report"). We would like to commend the NIGC for soliciting the information at this point in your regulatory-drafting process. As our Tribe has previously commented, the statutory need for the NIGC to comply with the Regulatory Flexibility Act, Unfunded Mandates Act, and Executive Orders regarding the evaluation of "regulatory-takings" and economic impacts of more than \$100 million is paramount and helpful information.

Although we are a Tribe that has a Class III compact with the State of California, the foundation of our gaming was started with Class II gaming. The results of this Report and the impact to the Class II Tribal industry are extremely troubling. The Report estimates that the impact of the NIGC's proposed changes to the Class II regulations includes: \$142.7 million in lost revenue, lost employment, increase in revenue-sharing costs, decrease in leverage in Class III compact renegotiations, etc.

Based on the foregoing information, we request that the NIGC rescind these proposed Class II regulations.

Sincerely,

  
Clarence Atwell, Jr., Chairman

  
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